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Sandy Response: Ironbound Sampling and Facilities Assessments

- Ironbound Sampling: Later today EPA will post a narrative and sampling data results on <http://www.epa.gov/sandy/>. The narrative and data are attached. It will be placed in the "Contaminated Sites" section of the following page, similar to the results from sampling near Gowanus Canal and Newtown Creek site. <http://www.epa.gov/sandy/response.html> This Web site is updated by EPA daily. The pertinent language regarding the sampling results is:

"The samples were analyzed for bacteria and 189 different chemicals, including Metals, Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs), Gasoline Range Organics (GROs), Diesel Range Organics (DROs), Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH), and Dioxins/Furans. Due to insufficient sample volume, only bacterial analyses were performed on two of the three residential samples. Levels of bacteria were high. While this type of bacteria becomes inactive over time, these findings reinforce the need for people to protect themselves when cleaning up flood waters. Fact sheets detailing precautions that should be taken when cleaning flood waters can be found at <http://www.epa.gov/sandy/>. Additional chemicals that were tested were either not detected, or were below levels of concern, with the exception of arsenic, iron, and lead. Arsenic and iron slightly exceeded drinking water standards, while concentrations of lead were about 20 times higher than the drinking water standard. Drinking water standards are established to protect people drinking two liters of water daily for 70 years. Because people were not drinking the floodwater, and had minimal contact with it for only a limited time, EPA does not consider these levels to be cause for concern."

Ironbound sampling results: Detects only
Ironbound sampling results: Full analyses

- Ironbound Facilities Assessment: The Ironbound Community Corporation requested the EPA to prepare a status report of facilities located in the Ironbound that may have been impacted by Hurricane Sandy and, consequentially, the surrounding residential community. The list of facilities were provided to the EPA by the Ironbound Community Corporation in early November. By November 26, 2012 the facilities had been assessed. The results are captured in the attached table. Please note that an "orphan" container" found adjacent to one of the facilities, the Liberty Mechanical facility, is not listed in the table since it was not the property of Liberty Mechanical. The container had washed onto their property. On November 27 an EPA recovery team retrieved the orphan container. The drum was taken to the Lakewood, NJ staging area. The table should be considered draft at this point. It will be updated, hopefully by this Thursday, to include notations as to whether any of the listed facilities are regulated and under which program and whether any plans need to be in place for the facility, e.g., Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure program, Facility Response Plan program, etc.

CAG Meeting Agenda Planning

our thoughts on agenda items / schedule

- Intro
- CPG's lower 8 mile proposal (30 - 45 minutes plus Q & A)
- National Remedy Review Board update (5 minutes)
- technical assistance update (10 minutes)
- Newark Removal project update (15 minutes)
- Lyndhurst 10.9 mile removal update and planning (30 minutes)
- Hurricane Sandy response (30 minutes)

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